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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Shelley Self. (3) _____.

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Date of Interview: 04 April 2006.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 19.

Identification of prior art discussed: Hestily (4,051,880).


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant proposed amending claim 1 to include the vacuum source to be external to the entire tool and proposed cancelling claim 19 as an after-final amendment. Examiner noted that such amendment(s) would require further search/consideration and would not be entered on after-final, resulting in an Advisory Action being issued. Applicant stated he would file an RCE instead of an after-final amendment wherein the RCE included limitations drawn to an external vacuum source that is external to the entire tool.